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Senate Bill No. 917

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The Committee on Planning and Development reported through SEN. RAHMAN of the 4th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT ESTABLISHING A WORKING GROUP TO STUDY THE IMPLEMENTATION OF FEDERAL TITLE IX PROTECTIONS FOR ALL MUNICIPAL RECREATION AREAS AND SCHOOL SPORTS FACILITIES.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) (a) There is established a working
2 group to examine the feasibility of implementing an assessment of all
3 municipal recreation areas and facilities used for the organized playing
4 of sports and any sports facilities maintained by each public school in
5 the state to determine the compliance of such areas and facilities with
6 Title IX of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1972, 20 USC
7 1681 et seq. The working group shall consider information including,
8 but not limited to, the nature and composition of organized sports teams
9 that utilize such areas or facilities and whether such teams may be
10 prohibited from utilizing such areas or facilities.

11 (b) The working group shall consist of the following members:

12 (1) One appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate, who is

13 a member of the General Assembly who represents a municipality with
14 a population of more than eighty thousand;

15 (2) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives,
16 who is a member of a nonprofit organization that represents an
17 association of schools;

18 (3) One appointed by the majority leader of the Senate, who is a
19 parent of a public school student who identifies as a female;

20 (4) One appointed by the majority leader of the House of
21 Representatives, who is a member of the General Assembly who
22 represents a municipality with a population of less than eighty
23 thousand;

24 (5) One appointed by the minority leader of the Senate, who is a
25 parent of a public school student who identifies as a male;

26 (6) One appointed by the minority leader of the House of
27 Representatives, who is a member of an interscholastic athletic
28 conference organization;

29 (7) One appointed by the Commissioner of Education, who is an
30 experienced Title IX coordinator;

31 (8) One appointed by the Commission on Women, Children, Seniors,
32 Equity and Opportunity;

33 (9) One appointed by the Connecticut Interscholastic Athletic
34 Conference;

35 (10) One appointed by the Connecticut Recreation and Parks
36 Association; and

37 (11) Two appointed by the Connecticut Conference of Municipalities,
38 both of whom are the chief executive officer of a municipality in the
39 state.

40 (c) The speaker of the House of Representatives and the president pro

41 tempore of the Senate shall select the chairpersons of the working group
42 from among the members of the working group. Such chairpersons shall
43 schedule the first meeting of the working group, which shall be held not
44 later than sixty days after the effective date of this section.

45 (d) All initial appointments to the working group shall be made not
46 later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Any vacancy
47 shall be filled by said chairpersons.

48 (e) Any member of the working group appointed under subsection
49 (b) of this section may be a member of the General Assembly.

50 (f) The administrative staff of the joint standing committee of the
51 General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to planning
52 and development shall serve as administrative staff of the working
53 group.

54 (g) Not later than January 1, 2024, the working group shall submit a
55 report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general
56 statutes, on its findings and recommendations to the joint standing
57 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters
58 relating to education and planning and development. The working
59 group shall terminate on the date that it submits such report or January
60 1, 2024, whichever is later.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	New section

PD *Joint Favorable*

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OFA Fiscal Note**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None**Explanation**

The bill establishes a working group to examine all sports facilities maintained by public schools to determine the compliance with Title IX resulting in no fiscal impact to the state because the working group has the expertise to carry out the requirements of the bill.

The Out Years**State Impact:** None**Municipal Impact:** None



OLR Bill Analysis

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SUMMARY

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Planning and Development Committee

Joint Favorable

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